Questions And Answers Concerning Israel

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There is much controversy today surrounding the land of Palestine and the modern nation of Israel. Are the Jews still God's people? Who owns the land of Palestine? This article will answer most of your questions, of not all of them.

The following book by Jack Bernstein written in 1985 is the most honest and informative manuscript which I've read on the difference between true Jews and the evil Zionist/Marxist/Communist Jews and how it all relates to the Communist New World Order...

The Life of an American Jew in Racist Marxist Israel

(the truth behind the New World Order)

Are The Jews God's People?

Sadly, there is much heresy taught today in America's churches concerning Israel. It is my sincere hope to provide Biblical answers to some of the common questions concerning the chosen nation of Israel. I am not anti-Semitic (i.e., anti-Jew). No Christian can be Anti-Semitic and please the Lord, but I'm also not anti-Arab. God loves all races and we all desperately need the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. Salvation is found in the God of Israel (John 4:22); not the false god of filthy and demonic Judaism, but in the holy God of the Bible, by faith in Jesus Christ (Acts 10:43).

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What About the Ten Lost Tribes?

There are no "lost tribes" of Israel. The truth is that ALL 12 tribes were carried away captive from Jerusalem, including the southern tribes of Benjamin and Judah by Babylon. The other 10 tribes were carried away captive centuries earlier by the Assyrians. The fact of the matter is that many of the individuals from these captive tribes intermarried into the Gentile cultures and lost their pure Israeli heritage. A remnant of Jews from each tribe did return to Israel and they occupy Israel today.

The Bible is clear in Romans 11:1-2 and 19-23 that only saved Jews are grafted into the tree of God's people. Ninety-nine percent of professed Jews today reject Christ as their Messiah. Of the 2,000,000 Jews living in America, a surprising 600,000 are practicing Buddhists. Buddhist!!! Less than 2% of the citizens living in Israel today profess to be Christian. It was recently in the news that Christian tourists are requesting for Jews in Jerusalem to stop spitting on them. No kidding, search it on the web! These are God's people my friend. There is neither Jew nor Gentile in Christ according to Galatians 3:29. In Christ we are all one. Amen!

There are no "lost tribes" of Israel who migrated to Europe and maintained their identity and heritage as pure Jews. The Scriptures do not teach any such doctrine. Many Jews have migrated from Poland and Russia to live in Israel today. Sadly, the nation of Israel is Marxist/Communist controlled today and religious freedom doesn't exist. You could easily receive 5 years in prison for trying to convert a Jew over to Christianity. It is against the law to witness the Gospel to young people in Israel if they are Jewish.

Is the Sabbath Day Still Valid Today?

No. The Sabbath was a ceremonial law given only to a specific people (the Jews), during a specific time period (the Old Testament), in a specific region (Palestine). The Sabbath was an object lesson for the Jews, picturing the coming Messiah in Whom believers rest for salvation. When men cease from their self-righteous labors, and rest upon the redeeming blood sacrifice of the Son of God, they are saved (1st Peter 1:18,19). Colossians 2:14-17 plainly teach that the Old Testament ceremonial laws are no longer applicable concerning Christians or Jews... "*Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath days: Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ*" (Colossians 2:16-17 — **Note: All Scriptures are quoted from the trustworthy *King James Bible***).

Jesus is our Sabbath today, in Whom we completely rest for salvation. God required the death penalty in the Old Testament for a man who merely picked up some sticks on the sabbath Day (likely to make a fire). Why did God require the man's death? It is because picking up sticks represents Human Effort in salvation, which is a road to

Hell. The Sabbath represents resting solely in Christ Jesus for salvation. Adding even one work negates, corrupts and cancels God's free gift of grace. Romans 3:20 warns that no flesh can be justified by the keeping of the Law of God. Salvation is by faith alone!

Today we honor the "Lord's Day" on Sunday, the first day of the week, when Jesus rose from the dead; but this is voluntary and not obligatory. It is grace and not law. It was a much better time in America when stores and shops all drew down their shades on Sunday to prevent window shopping. People used to honor the Lord. We've lost our nation today because we have forsaken the God of the Bible.

Is the Nation of Israel Today God's Doing?

No. The Illuminati (via the *United Nations*) put Israel back on the map as a nation in 1948. The Illuminati is an elite group of occult members, who own the largest banks (e.g., the Rothschild banking cartel) and control the world today through *The Council On Foreign Relations*. Interestingly, the *United Nations* was created by *The Council On Foreign Relations*. Their admitted goal is a *New World Order*, i.e., a Global Godless Totalitarian Communist Police State. The League Of Nations failed to receive congressional support after World War I, so the globalists caused World War II to get their way (and they did). The UN was born.

World Domination (aka, the New World Order) has been in the works for centuries. In fact, evidence can be traced back to the tower and city of Babel in Genesis 11:7-9, when men attempted to unite together in rebellion against God. If the Lord hadn't stopped them, the Antichrist would have come then I believe. Today, Babel is being continued as the nations of the world are tearing down the racial, language and geographical boundaries which God had established in Genesis 11:7-9 to protect humanity from soon corruption. Modern technology is making the world a smaller place to live each day.

The "Star of David" (the national symbol for Israel today) is a demonic symbol **not** found in the Scriptures. This symbol is seen in star formation above the eagle on back of every U.S. one-dollar bill, showing that America is under the control of elite Illuminati Jews via Freemasonry. Sound crazy? Take a look at this. The so-called Star of David is two pyramids, one inverted.

> "That then the LORD thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and WILL RETURN and gather thee from all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath scattered thee."
> —Deuteronomy 30:3

Please read that again... WILL RETURN!!! God promised to regather Israel only when HE RETURNS! As difficult as it is for some people to accept, the nation of Israel today was not placed there by God. Certainly, God in His permissive and sovereign will allowed it, but the restoration of Israel to their *Promised Land* won't happen until Jesus returns after the 7-year *Tribulation Period*. Of course, Biblically the Rapture will occur BEFORE the *Tribulation Period* begins.

And let me say boldly that Israel belongs to God, not the Jews. **Leviticus 25:23, "The**

land shall not be sold for ever: for the land is mine; **for ye are strangers and sojourners with me."** Unsaved Zionist Jews claim that God promised the land to them; but the Bible says it is God's land upon which He has promised to regather all the saved (Jew and Gentile alike) to live (Galatians 3:26-29). This regathering will happen when Jesus Christ returns at the Second Coming (and not until).

Jerusalem could be leveled tomorrow and it would not go against Biblical prophecy. In fact, it would support it according to Luke 21:24... "*And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations:* ***and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled***." The Holy Land is God's land. The Zionist certainly aren't a holy people. Jews are the most hateful enemies of Jesus Christ today. And likewise, of the few Jews who are saved, they love Jesus the most. I believe that.

Zionism is of the Devil.

The Synagogue of Satan

It is important for believers to understand that there is in the world today—a diabolical group of elite Jews (not the average Jew mind you) who are committed to the destruction of Christianity, freedom and patriotism...

> In the New Testament, in His message to the Church at Smyrna, the Lord Jesus Christ referred to a "synagogue of Satan" as "them which say they are Jews, and are not." In other words, there was a synagogue of Israel that was *not Jewish*:
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> > "I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan. Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." (Rev. 2:9-10)
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> The "Synagogue of Satan" which is the subject of this series must not be confused with the "Remnant" of Jews, who will receive the Lord Jesus Christ at His Second Coming and be saved by Him. The Synagogue of Satan are an occult power elite which, having rejected Jesus Christ as the Messiah of Israel, conspire to substitute another messiah made in the image of their master, Satan, and to establish a world kingdom under Satan. The Synagogue of Satan claims Jewish descent, but does not fit God's definition of a Jew, either in the Old Testament or the New: "But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God." (Romans 2:29)

> The Synagogue of Satan have contempt, not only for Jesus Christ, His Church and the Gentile masses, but for the Jewish "Remnant" who are Torah-observant and anti-Zionist and are, therefore, awaiting the kingdom of Israel to be restored when the Messiah appears, and not before. As well, the Synagogue of Satan have conspired to eliminate all people, whether Jew or Gentile, who stand in the way of their world kingdom. To this end they have developed a staggering number of fronts, as well as the capacity to create blinds and diversions, to obscure the fact that they are Cabalist Jews with an anti-Christ agenda. Through the centuries, the Synagogue of Satan have, by means of false identities, infiltrated Gentile institutions where they act as agents provocateurs—undercover agents who provoke violence and beget scandals, which are used to bring reproach upon Jesus Christ and His Church.
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> SOURCE: MYSTERY BABYLON THE GREAT: CATHOLIC OR JEWISH

Satan is the god of this sinful world (2nd Corinthians 4:4), and he operates secretly through occult organizations such as *Freemasonry*, *Skull and Bones*, *Bohemian Grove*, et cetera. Freemasonry, as with Mormonism and other Satanic cults, are rooted in the demonic Jewish Kaballah and sexually-immoral Talmud. This is the synagogue of Satan. Titus 1:14 warns: "*Not giving heed to **Jewish fables**, and commandments of men, that turn from the truth*."

Also, please read: JEWS: Scapegoat for Freemasonry

Who Owns the Land of Palestine Today?

God owns it. God has promised the "future" Land of Palestine to the seed of Abraham (Genesis 13:14-17; 17:6-8), Isaac (Genesis 21:12), and Jacob (Genesis 28:13,14). Of course, Jacob's name was changed by the Lord to "Israel." Muslims have no Biblical claim to the land of Palestine today, NOR do the Jews. The Lord did not promise to restore Israel to their land until HE RETURNS. Israel was removed from their land by force in the 8th and 6th centuries B.C., by the Assyrians and Babylonians, respectively. Israel was again removed from their land in A.D. 70 and A.D. 135 by Rome. Consider what Hitler did to the Jews in WWII. Clearly, Israel has not been restored to their homeland yet.

Again, God will regather Israel WHEN HE RETURNS...

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> **—Deuteronomy 30:3**

The Bible tells us in Luke 21:24... "*And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: **and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled**.*" Please don't miss this Scripture. Biblically, Jerusalem will be defeated again and again by the Gentiles until the Lord returns. It is very possible that Jerusalem may once again be taken away

from the people of Israel. I hear preachers saying that Israel will never be destroyed because God will defend her. That is true ONLY during the Tribulation period. Look what Rome did to the Jews in 70 AD. God did not defend them. The temple was destroyed and the Jews scattered around the world.

God owns the land of Palestine, not Israel yet. Just as Abraham and Sarah doubted God and didn't want to wait upon the Lord, so also does religious and political Zionism attempt to restore Israel before God's time. Until Jesus Christ returns, there is no Biblical mandate to rebuild and regather Israel.

Will Unsaved Jews Enter the "Future" Promised Land?

No, absolutely not. No unsaved Jew will ever enjoy the splendors of the future *Promised Land*...

> **"For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God." —Romans 2:28,29**

Clearly, the Word of God teaches that "Jew" in the Bible, as regards all the future promises to Israel, refers ONLY to born-again Christian Jews. It is the circumcision of the inward heart, and not the outward flesh, that makes one a Jew in God's eyes. No unconverted Jew can ever claim the promise of God concerning Palestine, unless he first BELIEVES on Jesus Christ as his personal Messiah. You Need HIS Righteousness!

> **"And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." —Galatians 3:29**

The Bible teaches that God's promises were not made to all Jews; but only to saved Jews...

> **"Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ." —Galatians 3:16**

> **"So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham." —Galatians 3:9**

How tragic that most Jews today have been blinded by sinful pride and false religion, that they reject Jesus Christ as the Messiah. Only by faith in Jesus Christ can any Jew claim the promise of the future *Promised Land*. All unbelievers, whether Gentile or Jew, will be cast into the *Lake of Fire* (Revelation 20:11-15).

Romans 11:19-23 plainly teaches that unbelieving Jews are already cut off. Only Christian Jews have been grafted back into the tree of God's people. All else are branches broken off and cast into the fire.

What Does "All Israel Shall Be Saved" Mean in Romans 11:26?

> "And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins" —Romans 11:26-27

Here is an excellent explanation of Romans 11:26,27 from the mighty Bible scholar, J. Vernon McGee...

> When Paul says "all Israel shall be saved," he does not mean every individual Israelite will be saved. It is the *nation* he has before us in this chapter. In every age, only a remnant is saved. The quotation Paul uses is from Isaiah 59:20 in the Old Testament: "And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the Lord." The message to the individual is that he or she will have to "turn from transgression" to the Lord. There will be a remnant that will turn to Him. All of *them* will be saved. He speaks of the saved remnant as the nation Israel.
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> There is always only a remnant that is saved. There was a remnant in Elijah's day; there was a remnant in David's day; there was a remnant in Paul's day; there is a remnant in our day; and there will be a remnant during the Great Tribulation Period.
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> SOURCE: *Thru The Bible with J. Vernon McGee*, Romans 11:26-27

All of the "remnant" will be saved, i.e., those who turn to the Lord to be forgiven of their sins.

Should Jews Be Treated Special?

No, not at all. Acts 10:34 states: "...*God is no respecter of persons*." Romans 10:12 states: "*For there is **no difference** between the Jew and the Greek...*" Jews are no better, or worse, than anyone else. To teach that Jews are special, and should be treated better than other people, goes contrary to the Scriptures... "*My brethren, have not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory, with respect of persons*." Christians are commanded to love Arabs as much as Jews.

I wanted to vomit when I heard a ridiculous Zionist sermon by Pastor James Modlish. Modlish says he'd like to hire a Jew in his ministry to witness only to Jews just to receive God's blessings. That's insane! Poor African-Americans and Hispanics are just as important to God as any Jew. God's blessings are promised to the Christian who labors in the Lord, period (1st Corinthians 3:8). If you labor for Christ as a born-again believer, then you have God's promise of reward. If you are not a Christian believer, then God's wrath is upon you and the only promise you have is Hell, fire and damnation forever (John 3:36; 2nd Thessalonians 1:8-9). James 2:9, *"But if ye have respect to persons, **ye commit sin**..."*

The following is an excellent explanation on the falsehood of Zionism by Pastor Thomas Williamson...

> Zionists say, based on their non-literal, speculative, spiritualized interpretation of Genesis 12:3, that we are to give total, unquestioned support to some of Abraham's children, while others of Abraham's children are to be hated, persecuted, ethnically cleansed, bombed back into the Stone Age, maybe even nuked.
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> But in Genesis 21:13, 17-18 God also bestows His blessing on Ishmael and his descendants, saying, *"For I will make him a great nation."* According to the same principles of interpretation by which we have made Genesis 12:3 a command for political support of the modern nation of Israel, Genesis 21:18 must be taken as a command for political support of the modern Arab nations. (Anybody want to start up a "Christian Ishmaelist" movement to lobby for Arab national greatness?) ...
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> Zionism is based on a total misunderstanding of what the Bible teaches.
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> SOURCE: Zionism Verses the Bible -by Pastor Thomas Williamson

I'd highly recommend that you read the entire article by Pastor Williamson.

Concerning Israel, Zechariah 2:8 states: "...*for he that toucheth you toucheth **the apple of his eye***." This Scripture has been used exhaustively by Zionists in an attempt to rally support for the nation of Israel in modern times; however, Zechariah is referring to the *Tribulation Period*, when the Lord will defend Israel and destroy her enemies. Historically, Rome (Titus), Germany (Hitler), and others, have attacked Israel in the past and prospered thereafter.

God hasn't defended Israel since the Old Testament, because of their sin and rebellion... "*Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up a cry or prayer for them: for I will not hear them in the time that they cry unto me for their trouble*" (Jeremiah 11:14). The only thing Christians should be praying for today concerning Israel is that they would repent toward God from their unbelief and get saved. Israel is a wicked nation today, as is America. Wicked Zionist/Marxist Jews have control over Israel's government. There is no religious freedom.

Matthew 18:4-6 pronounces judgment upon anyone who messes with a Christian...

> "Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me. But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea."

Jesus clearly warned against mistreating anyone who BELIEVES on Him. Although God will certainly avenge every innocent child, that is not the intended meaning of Matthew 18:4-6. Jesus clearly promised to avenge those who "believe in me." The reason why God promised Abraham in Genesis 12:3 to "bless them that bless thee" and

"curse them that curse thee" was because Abraham was a born again Christian (Genesis 15:6) who loved the Lord. Abraham was unquestionably a man of faith (Hebrews 11:8,17). God did not bless Abraham merely because he was Hebrew.

In fact, Deuteronomy 28:15-68 pronounces numerous CURSES upon the Jews if they fail to obey God's commandments. God's promise of blessing upon Israel is conditioned upon their obedience to the Word of God. The same is true of all mankind (Acts 17:30).

We are told in Mark 9:41... "*For whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, **because ye belong to Christ**, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward*." The emphasis in the New Testament is upon rewarding those who help Christians (i.e., those who *"belong to Christ"*); and not heathen Jews.

Psalms 94:14, "For the LORD will not cast off his people, neither will he forsake his inheritance." Romans 11:1-2 and 19-23 plainly teach that God CUT OFF Israel because of immorality and unbelief; but ANYBODY, Gentile or Jew alike, will be grafted back into God's tree as His people BY FAITH.

God finally said, enough! The Jews were a stiffnecked and rebellious people, saturated with sins (as we are in America today). In 586 BC God gave the Jews into the hands of Babylon for destruction. Only 4,700 Jews returned from Babylon 70 years later.

Some people superstitiously think that they will receive a special reward for giving money or assistance to a natural Jew—no matter how immoral, Godless, or sinful that Jew may be. No such heresy is taught in the Bible. As we read earlier in Romans 2:28,29...

> "For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God." —Romans 2:28,29

There is no Biblical obligation for Christians today to help the nation of Israel in any way, form, or fashion. God promised to make of Ishmael "a great nation" (Genesis 21:18) as much as He did to Abraham (Genesis 12:2). The Word of God clearly states that God doesn't view Jews as being any better than Gentiles...

> "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus." —Galatians 3:28

Again, the emphasis is upon the born-again believer, whose sins are washed away by the redeeming literal physical blood of Jesus Christ (1st John 1:7; 1st Peter 1:18,19; Hebrews 9:12; Revelation 1:5). Every genuine born-again believer is "one" in Jesus Christ.

> "...For they are not all Israel, which are of Israel... That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of

God" (Romans 9:6,8).

The Jews are God's chosen people; but sadly most are not God's children. Israel ceased to exist as a nation in 586 B.C. when Babylon destroyed Jerusalem and took the Jews into captivity for 70-years. Since then, God has set Israel aside for a time, turning instead to the gentiles to preach the Gospel (i.e., "*the times of the gentiles*" - Luke 21:24). The Bible does not contain any prophecy concerning Israel today, except that she will continue to "*fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, **until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled***" (Luke 21:24). Christians shouldn't be focusing upon the Middle East today; but rather, upon preaching the Gospel to the world (Matthew 28:19,20). We are to love all people, of all nations, of all races.

Jesus commanded believers in Mark 13:37 to "watch" for His coming. This ought to be our eager hope and desire. I am reminded of a precious hymn...

There is coming a day when no heartaches ever come
No more clouds in the sky
No more tears to dim the eyes
All is peace for evermore
On that happy golden shore
What a day, Glorious day, that will be

CHORUS
What a day that will be
When my Jesus I will see
When I look upon His face
The one who saved me by His grace
When he takes me by the hand
And leads me to that promised land
What a day, Glorious day, that will be

Does the Middle East Conflict Today Have Any Prophetic Significance?

I believe so. There has been increasing military tension in the Middle East ever since 1948 when Israel once again became a nation after 2,500 years since 586 BC. As of 2012, there is much military buildup and saber-rattling in the Middle East. One of the most interesting things is the predictions of legendary Freemason, Albert Pike (1809-1892). Pike foretold of World Wars one and two and has provided us with vivid details of World War three. Pike was a 33rd degree Freemason and an admitted Luciferian worshipper. The New World Order is upon us, no doubt!

There are no Biblical prophecies concerning Israel to be fulfilled before Jesus returns and removes His own, i.e., the Church, at the Rapture. The Bible instructs us to "watch" for Jesus' return... "*And what I say unto you I say unto all, **Watch***" (Mark

13:37). The Lord's return may come at any time, and I believe the trumpet is out of the case. Although the Bible teaches that we cannot know the day nor the hour when Christ will return, I think it is abundantly evident from Daniel's vision of Nebuchadnezzar's image that we are living in the end times. Daniel plainly prophesied that there would be Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, Rome and then the toes of mixed clay (freedom) and Iron (Marxist/Zionist Communist). We are living in times of freedom mixed with horrible tyranny around the world. Revelation 17:

Does Romans 15:27 Require Christians to Give to Jews?

> **"It hath pleased them verily; and their debtors they are. For if the Gentiles have been made partakers of their spiritual things, their duty is also to minister unto them in carnal things" —Romans 15:27**

No, not at all. Here once again are the scholarly words of the great J. Vernon McGee concerning Romans 15:27...

> Paul makes it clear that it was a freewill offering. "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver" (2 Cor. 9:7). This is the offering Paul collected. Paul makes it very clear that it not only was a freewill offering (they couldn't give any other way to please God), but he also enforces the fact that they had a moral obligation and debt to pay. The Gentiles had received the gospel from Israel. Our Lord Jesus said, "Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews" (John 4:22). You see, the gospel began in Jerusalem. Macedonia and Achaia were *obligated* to Jerusalem. Now some of the saints in Jerusalem were having financial difficulties, evidently because of persecution. Macedonia and Achaia could now pay a spiritual debt in the coin of the realm. This is foreign missions in reverse! It is the missionary church helping the home church. This very thing may take place in our nation, by the way, in the not too far distant future!
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> SOURCE: *Thru The Bible with J. Vernon McGee*, Romans 15:27

It is important to notice that the Apostle Paul was seeking support for his ministry, to further the preaching of the Gospel. Thus, Romans 15:27, if taken in proper context, is teaching that Gentile Christians should be willing to support the preaching of the Gospel receiving by the hand of Israel. The Savior came through Israel. The 12 Apostles were all Jewish. The Bible came to the world through Israel. God used Israel, His chosen people, to accomplish His sovereign plan. This is why Israel is called the "apple of his eye" in Zechariah 2:8, and not because Jews are better than anyone else. Israel, as a nation, represents the work of God.

Why Did God Choose the Jewish People?

Genesis 18:19 tells us "why" God chose to bless the world through Abraham... "*For I*

know him [Abraham], *that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him*."

God DIDN'T choose the Jewish people because they're better than the Gentiles—they are not! God DIDN'T choose the Jews because they're a superior race—they are not! God, in His divine sovereign plan, chose to accomplish His work through Abraham because He knew that Abraham would guide his children in the commandments of God. Abraham was a mighty man of faith, even willing to offer his own son in sacrifice to the Lord (Genesis 22:1-13). Of course, the Lord stopped Abraham, and he sacrificed a ram instead.

It is important to realize in Genesis 12:3 that God was speaking to Abraham as an individual... "*And I will bless them that bless **thee**, and curse him that curseth **thee**: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed*." God promised to bless those who blessed Abraham, and curse those who cursed Abraham (because Abraham was a genuine Christian). God doesn't bless the wicked. Zionists today claim that Genesis 12:3 applies to all Jews, which is simply not Biblical. At the time God made this promise to Abraham, neither Isaac nor Ishmael had been born yet. So the promise would have to apply to BOTH Jews and Arabs if the promise reached beyond Abraham.

Time after time, the Jews were utterly destroyed throughout history (in accordance with Luke 21:24). According to the *History Channel*, in their documentary titled, *Cities of the Underworld: Underground Apocalypse*, the city of Jerusalem has been rebuilt and destroyed 17 times throughout it's history. The "Times of the Gentiles" began with the destruction of Jerusalem in 586 B.C. by Babylon (when Israel ceased to be a nation), and will continue until the *Second Coming of Jesus Christ* (when the Lord will regather and restore Israel once again to *The Promised Land*)...

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> —Deuteronomy 30:3

Why is Israel "the Apple of His Eye"?

Now God did say that He would bless the families of the world through Abraham's seed—the Jews. This is "why" Israel is so precious to God, that is, because God chose Israel to be His ambassadors to the human race. God gave us the Savior through Israel. God gave us the Word of God through Israel. God gave us the Gospel through Israel. Salvation is to the Jew first, and also to the Greek... *For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; **to the Jew first, and also to the Greek***" (Romans 1:16).

How could the people of Israel not be precious to God, seeing that God has accomplished so much through the Jewish nation? However, we must remember, and never forget, that God is NO respecter of persons (Acts 10:34). God's loyalty to Israel is to the nation in accordance with His own divine purpose and plan; and NOT to the Jewish race because they are more special than anyone else.

God DIDN'T bless the Jews when they sinned against Him in the Bible. The Jews went into 70-years of captivity for failing to keep the Sabbath for 490 years (7 x 70 = 490). God punished them one year in exile for every 7-years they refused to keep the Sabbath. Deuteronomy 28:1-14 clearly make the blessings of God CONDITIONAL upon Israel.

We learn in Deuteronomy 28:15,16...

> "But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these CURSES shall come upon thee, and overtake thee: CURSED shalt thou be in the city, and CURSED shalt thou be in the field."

There goes Zionism!!! Israel, i.e., the Jewish people, are for the most part, cursed today! It is no secret that some of the wealthiest people in this world are Jewish; but they are cursed in their wealth, hellbound in their sin of unbelief. God will not bless a wicked person, or a wicked nation. Financial success is not an indicator of God's blessings. Most of the most wicked heathens in this world are very wealthy.

Unbelieving wicked Jews are the worm in the apple of Israel. Only born-again Jews are God's people today (Galatians 3:28-29). Jews who reject Jesus as their Messiah are not God's people; but rather, Romans 11:19-23 says they are caught off from God's promises because of their unbelief.

Are Israel and the Church the Same Thing?

No. The world can be divided into 3 groups: Jew (unsaved Jews), Gentile (unsaved Gentiles) and the Church (saved Jews and Gentiles who are united in Jesus Christ). Galatians 3:26-29 teaches that there are no Jews nor Gentiles in Christ, but we are all one in Jesus. Amen!

Here is a good explanation of this question...

> Romans 11:16-36 records the illustration of the olive tree. This passage speaks of Israel the ("natural" branches) being broken off from the olive tree, and the Church ("wild" branches or shoots) being grafted into the olive tree. Since Israel is referred to as branches, as well as the Church, it stands to reason that neither group are the "whole tree" so to speak, but rather the whole tree represents God's workings with mankind as a whole. Therefore, God's program with Israel, and God's program with the Church are part of the outworking of His purpose among men in general. Of course, this is not intended to mean that either program is of little significance, because as most commentators have noted, more revelation is given in the Bible regarding God's programs with Israel and with the Church than any of God's other dealings!!
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> SOURCE: Are Israel and the church the same thing? Does God still

have a plan for Israel?

Romans 11 portrays Israel as an "olive tree," and the Church as a "wild olive tree." Some of the "natural" branches (physical Jews) broke off because of unbelief (vs. 20). They forfeited the promises of God by their own unbelief. The Gentiles were given the Gospel and many of them turned to Jesus Christ in faith for salvation. Those Gentile converts (i.e., the Church) were grafted into the olive tree. So we learn that the Church and Israel are NOT the same; but yet are one in Christ Jesus (Galatians 3:28). Again, Romans 2:28,29 states that the unsaved Jew is not a Biblical Jew. All saved Gentiles are spiritually related to Abraham through Jesus Christ, and will partake of the same types of blessings and privileges as saved Jews.

God has a divine plan for Israel and for the Church. Israel will be Regathered when Jesus, their Messiah, returns. But don't be fooled friend, all unsaved Jews will be cast into Hellfire forever (2nd Thessalonians 1:8,9; Revelation 20:11-15). The true remnant of Jews today are scattered around the world. They will be caught up and removed from the world at the Rapture. However, a large group of unbelieving Jews will repent and turn to the Lord to be saved following the Rapture. The *Times Of The Gentiles* will have been fulfilled and God will once again deal directly with Israel (the new remnant Jews saved during the Tribulation).

A Remnant of Israel Will One Day Repent and Turn to Their Messiah for Salvation

The idea that God will bless America for assisting Israel in their apostasy today is unbiblical. God didn't bless Israel when they sinned in the Old Testament, and God won't bless Israel today until they repent of their unbelief and turn once again to the Lord. Thankfully, this will happen at the end of the Tribulation. Here are the eloquent words of the mighty Bible teacher and soulwinner, Oliver B. Greene...

A NEW COVENANT

After the reign of terror and the destruction of the Antichrist and his armies, there will be a *new covenant*. When Jesus comes in the Revelation with His saints, there will be a great national repentance on the part of Israel and they will see the Messiah the King. They will recognize Him by the scars in His hands and they will fall at His feet to worship:

"Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD: But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying,

Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."

In Hebrews 8:7-13 Paul gives the same truth. Please study this passage carefully in connection with that just quoted from Jeremiah. Paul here declares the promise of the new covenant, and makes it very clear that this is for the Jews, not the Church. The Church will share in it, in that we will reign with Christ; but the NEW covenant is definitely to the seed of Abraham, and it will be made with the Jews when they repent nationally and accept Christ as King. Their sins and iniquities will be forgiven and put away, God will again be their God, and Jesus will reign from the throne of David in the Holy City, Jerusalem.

SOURCE: Bible Prophecy, by Oliver B. Greene, pg. 317-318, The Gospel Hour (1970)

Please keep in mind that only a remnant of Israel will be saved. This has always been the case. Only a remnant of America will be saved. Only a remnant of Jews returned to Jerusalem after their captivity in Babylon. There is a remnant today of born-again Jews, who love the Lord Jesus Christ, and are soulwinners. However, most Jews today do not know Jesus Christ and are still hellbound in their sins. Oh how the nation of Israel needs Gospel preaching today! Unfortunately, Jews are literally spitting on Christian tourists and it's actually against the law in Israel to try to convert a Jew to Christianity.

Will God Defend the Literal Nation of Israel in the Tribulation?

Yes, 144,000 literal Jews will be saved during the *Tribulation Period*, immediately after the Rapture of the saints, and will become mighty soulwinners for the Lord. These 144,000 of the tribes of Israel will turn multitudes of lost souls to Jesus Christ for salvation (Revelation 7:4,14). It is likely that when they see the Rapture, they will believe. So when Russia and its allies (Iran, China, Turkey, Syria, Egypt) attack the nation of Israel during the *Great Tribulation Period*, God will be defending a nation of many Christians at that time.

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God won't defend a Godless nation today, nor did He in the Old Testament. One of the purposes of the Tribulation will be to purge Israel to prepare to meet her King, Who will reign from the throne of David in Jerusalem during the Millennium. This will follow the 7 year Tribulation period. You can learn much more on the Prophecy Page of this website.

After the Tribulation is ended, Jesus will reign **literally** from the actual city of Jerusalem during the literal 1,000-year *Millennial Period*. Jesus will reign over the earth as a Divine King, seated upon the throne of king David in the Holy City.

What About the Arabs Forced from Their Homes and Land?

The modern nation of Israel was established by theft, tyranny and injustice...

> The lawgiver Moses commanded the Hebrews that they should not oppress the strangers or non-Jews in their lands, Exodus 12:49, 22:21, 23:9, Leviticus 19:33-34, 25:35, Deuteronomy 10:18-19, 23:7, 24:17, 27:19. That message, of course, is not mentioned today – it is considered "politically incorrect."
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> When King Ahab and Queen Jezebel unjustly expropriated the vineyard of Naboth, the prophet Elijah publicly denounced the kind for this unjust action, 1st Kings 21:17-24, Jehu cited this official action of the government of Israel against Naboth as justification for overthrowing that government, 2nd Kings 9:25-26.
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> But nowadays, when the Israeli government expropriates the lands and properties of Palestinians without compensation, we look the other way and say nothing about it.
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> SOURCE: Zionism Verses the Bible -by Pastor Thomas Williamson

Here are the compassionate words of Dr. John R. Rice concerning the theft of Arab homes by the Illuminati-controlled *United Nations* in 1948...

> I have great sympathy for more than a million Arabs who live in refugee camps, either driven out or terrorized until they fled from their homes and lands in Palestine—theirs by purchase and theirs by possession and theirs for centuries in their families. And I have a great deal of sympathy for that spirit of nationalism among Arabs who feel they have been robbed and defrauded and abused and imposed upon and who want back their own land. I can understand that. I think they will never be given back the land that was given Israel by the United nations in 1948, but I think that provisions must be made for those millions and a third refugees in refugee camps in Jericho, in Amman, in Beirut, in the Gaza strip, and elsewhere. God loves those people and they must have the Gospel.
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> SOURCE: *Dr. Rice... Here Are More Questions*, by John R. Rice, pg. 315, Sword Of The Lord Publishers (1973)

I don't understand so-called "Christian" Zionists who continually demonize the Arabs and whitewash the Jews. The Jews are dirty, rotten, Hell-deserving, sinners just like

everybody else (Romans 3:10,19-23; 6:23). The Arab people are the descendents of Abraham, just as are the Jews. As Christians, we must love them all with God's unconditional love. The Bible plainly teaches that there is neither Jew nor Gentile in Christ. Once you become a Christian, you are hidden in Christ and are no longer considered a Jew or Gentile.

The bogus "War On Terror" is being used by the *New World Order* gang to achieve a global Communist government; hence the takeover of Iraq and theft of their oil. Iraq possesses 11% of the world's oil (i.e., before we stole it). Few students today are taught the truth about WWII, i.e., that Hitler's War Machine was financed by America's Wall Street. Many U.S. companies supported the holocaust, including IBM who manufactured the stamping machines to imprint numbers of the Jewish prisoners. According to William Guy Carr, the elite banking cartel has financed both sides of every major war for the past 200 years. As shocking as it may seem, both Israel and the United States today are controlled by a criminal syndicate known as *The Council On Foreign Relations*. If further interested, you may like to read about The Rothschild Dynasty. Also, see The Federal Reserve is Evil.

Blessings Promised for Those Who Befriend Christians (spiritual Jews); Not Natural Jews

The Bible promises blessings for those who befriend true Christians, especially those who are serving the Lord (Matthew 10:42; Mark 9:41). Certainly, God will bless Gentiles and Jews who support the work of God—SOULWINNING. God chose Israel, the Jews, to do the work of God. They refused. God instead turned to the Gentiles (i.e., the Church) and commissioned them to preach the Gospel. Jesus said giving even a cup of water to one of His disciples would result in a sure reward (Mark 9:41).

The Biblical focus then is not upon the Jewish people themselves as being a super race, not at all; but rather, upon the preaching of the Gospel which God entrusted to the nation of Israel to do. Israel was to be God's ambassadors to mankind, but they refused. There is nothing in the Bible which teaches that the Church is expected to financially support heathen Israel, or assist Israel in any capacity. God promised to regather and restore Israel at the Second Coming of Christ, and not before. The notion that Christians today are obligated to financially support a nation that was founded by the theft of Arab homes and land is insane. The so-called nation of Israel today is not of God; but of men. God's promise to restore Israel to the Promised Land is in the "future."

It is ridiculous, as some people today believe, that hurricane Katrina was punishment from God upon America for failing to help Israel. Not so. There are hundreds of reasons why God should punish America (such as for the 53,000,000 murderous abortions), but our relationship to the nation of Israel is not one of them. Germany decimated the Jews under Hitler's reign of terror, but Germany is a thriving nation today. Rome utterly destroyed the Jews in A.D. 70, yet still prospered for centuries to come.

Conclusion

God chose Israel as the means by which to BLESS the world with the Word of God, the

Savior, the Apostles, salvation, and Christianity itself. This is why the nation of Israel is precious in the eyes of God. However, the Bible plainly states that God is NO respecter of persons (Acts 10:34) and that there is NO difference between the Jew and the Gentile (Romans 10:12).

Christians are not obligated, nor expected to befriend the heathen nation of Israel today. Luke 21:24 plainly states... *"And they* [Jews] *shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations:* ***and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled***. This means, Biblically, that the Jews have NO GUARANTEE of possessing their homeland until the Second Coming of Jesus Christ, i.e., when all Gentile worldpower is destroyed by the "stone cut out without hands" (Daniel 2:34,35,44). The "Stone" will be the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ in Glory (Revelation 19:11,21). Christ-rejecting Jews are NOT God's people; but believing Arabs ARE God's people. Any Gentile who believes the Gospel (death, burial and resurrection) of Jesus Christ is saved and God's people according to Romans 11:1-2,19-23 and Galatians 3:26-29.

1st Kings 11:36, "And unto his son will I give one tribe, that David my servant may have a light alway before me in Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen me to put my name there." God punished Solomon for his idolatries by rending the kingdom away from his son, Rehoboam; nevertheless, God left one tribe (Judah) for Rehoboam to rule over for David's sake, who kept the commandments of the Lord. The smallest tribe, Benjamin, also remained with the throne of David in Jerusalem with Rehoboam. God was never loyal to idolatrous Jews. God gave the idolatrous 10 northern tribes of Israel into destruction to the Assyrians. Only a fool would teach that God's promise of blessings upon Abraham's seed in the Old Testament applies to wicked Christ-rejecting Jews.

Galatians 3:28-29, "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." These Scriptures plainly teach that only those who are in Jesus Christ by faith are Abraham's seed according to promise. This is why nearly all Jews today reject the New Testament. It matters not whether you are Jew or Gentile, free or imprisoned, male or female... we are all one in Christ Jesus! Followers of Judaism openly reject Jesus as the Christ and are therefore of the Devil. God blesses those who do good unto those who are in Christ by faith. **Galatians 3:26, "For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus."**

The New Testament teaches that Christians are to focus on the heavenly Jerusalem, not the earthly one (John 4:21, Galatians 4:24-28, Hebrews 12:18-24). We are told in Hebrews 11:13-16 that even Abraham has no further interest in a restored Jewish state on earth, because he is in a much better place in Heaven. How foolish that so many believers today are choked by the cares and riches of this world (Luke 8:14), when they ought to be soulwinners preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ to this lost and sinful world.

Everything that God ever did through Israel was with one intent—to bring salvation to the human race. Thanks be to God for the precious redeeming literal blood of Jesus Christ that washes our sins away (1st Peter 1:18,19; Revelation 1:5).

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